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ably pungent, and relief was generally soon obtained. The sins of many, who had been thoughtless and hardened, seemed to be set in order before them at once, in such a light, as to bring them almost to a state of despair; and in a few instances, individual sunk down and became helpless and speechless under the weight of their sins. Some also strove to the utmost to conceal their feelings and stifle conviction, but were compelled to inquire what they must do to be saved, and hopefully to bow to the sceptre of the Lord Jesus. Some from among the immoral, the profane and impure, give pleasing evidence of having passed from death unto life.

Vernon, Ohio, Sept. 16, 1820,

REVIVAL IN BOLTON, CONN.

— From the Rev. Intel.
A Brief Account of a Revival of Religion in Bolton, Conn. in 1819, by the Rev. Mr. PARMELE.

The Lord has shown us, that his arm was not shortened that he could not save, neither was his ear heavy that he could not hear. On the first Sabbath in January, 1819, it appeared that the Lord was, in very deed, with his church while they attended to the ordinance of the Lord's Supper. It was a solemn, joyful season. In a public discourse, the dealings of the Lord with His Church, the past year, were particularly brought into view; and the enquiry, "What do ye more than others?" was impressed upon the heart and conscience of professing Christians. The assembly were attentive, and gave a listening ear; while some of the church, with the beginning of the year, made solemn resolutions that they would awake from their stupidity, and pray for a revival. After this time, an unusual spirit of prayer appeared in the church. Meetings for this purpose, were attended in three different districts, on Sabbath evening, thro' the winter. The church and many of the people assembled for prayer, on the Sabbath, in the intermission. These meetings soon became crowded and as solemn as the house of death. Our monthly concert was better attended than usual, and became much more interesting. A deep solemnity which we had not before witnessed, appeared on the minds of Christians, while they were earnestly pleading for a blessing. They seemed to say, while wrestling with the Angel of the everlasting covenant, we will not let thee go, except thou bless us. During the winter, four persons became hopeful subjects of grace. These were the first fruits of a more plentiful harvest.

While Christians were thus daily wrestling in prayer, for the salvation of sinners, and were committing the cause of religion into the hands of God, their faith and patience were brought to the test. Satan, as though aware that his kingdom was soon to receive an attack, rallied his forces, and marshalled his bands to make resistance. Iniquity rushed in like a flood. The youth whom we expected would be awakened, if our prayers were answered, were generally never more dissolute. Their minds were supremely occupied with scenes of mirth and parties of pleasure. If they received any serious impressions on the Sabbath, or at a religious meeting during the week, they were soon banished, through the influence of worldly companions and vain amusements.

To counteract the influence of these things, in the month of April, meetings were appointed for religious conversation with the youth; which were generally well attended, and soon became interesting. At one of these meetings, eight or ten of the youth were alarmed with a sense of their sins. Their convictions deepened until they became overwhelming: and, within a few days, they were brought to rejoice in hope. This spread conviction, like an electric shock, through the society of young people, until it was evident the Lord had appeared, in his glory to build up Zion. The volatile youth could no longer resist the influences of the Holy Spirit; but in deep solemnity were daily enquiring what they should do to be saved. Vain amusements were entirely suspended. Scenes of pleasure were forsaken; and the trifles of time were lost in the awful concerns of eternity.

Recourse to a few examples will better illustrate this fact, than any other description. An instance of conviction occurred, of a person more than sixty years old; she remained apparently stupid, until after her sister had obtained a hope, and publicly professed religion. She was struck with the reflection, one shall be taken and the other left. "Conviction so overwhelmed my mind," to use her own language, "I feel as though my soul and body must separate; sleep departed from my eyes, by night and day: if I attempted to rest my weary limbs, by night on my bed, it appeared as though I were suspended over hell, and I durst not close my eyes; lest I should be there before morning. I spent sleepless days and nights in walking my room, and begging for mercy. I was confident this was my last call. I was an old sinner. I had lived through four revivals in this town, without religion. I thought I should never live to see another. This was the last call; now or never.—In this manner, my convictions continued until, I trust, I found rest in Christ."

Another instance of a young man, who, at the commencement of this revival, did not believe it to be the work of God. The effects he saw produced on others, he ascribed to a different cause from religion. For a time, he declined attending our conference meeting, although frequently urged by his friends. One day, as he had business out of town, he was requested to return by the way of the conference, in the evening, and convey some of the family home, who expected to attend. He accordingly consented. He did not arrive

at the meeting until after the exercises had commenced. The house was so filled that he could find no seat, and was obliged to stand during the exercises. The speaker, however, soon caught his attention, who was discoursing from these words of the Saviour, "The son of man is come to seek, and to save, that which was lost."

While pathetically describing the state of a lost sinner, he repeated the word, lost, lost, lost!

The Spirit applied the word so closely to his heart and conscience, thou art this lost sinner, that he made the case his own. The shock was so unexpected, powerful, and sudden, that he could scarcely stand on his feet, or restrain crying out, God be merciful to me a lost sinner. He went from the conference convinced of sin. He now believed there was a reality in religion, and that this revival was the work of God, and not of man.

The young man continued under pungent conviction, until the following day, when by the grace of God his mind was relieved, and became composed and joyful. We have since united with the church.

May and June, with us, were interesting months. Most of the subjects of this revival became reconciled to God during this period. On the first Sabbath in July, 1819, united with the Church; nine of whom received the ordinance of baptism. This was a day so interesting, that the solemn scenes which transpired, can never be forgotten. The youth, the middle aged, and the aged, composed this number. They presented themselves before the Lord with one consent, and entered into covenant to serve him; while the still small voice of the Spirit, seemed to whisper to a listening congregation, come and see!

Some families, during this revival, were remarkably favored, and we trust they will never forget what the Lord hath wrought. Nine children in one family were brought to rejoice in hope in about two months; and six of them united with the church in one day. In another, five or six children have become hopeful subjects of grace. And many other families have great reason to praise the Lord for his wonderful works to the children of men.

On the first Sabbath in September, 21 united with the church, and two have been added since; making in the whole 59. Five have united with the Baptist church.

For the Boston Recorder.

Account of Revivals in Rochester, Stockbridge and Pittsfield, Vt.

"My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear thereof and be glad." Previous to the year [*] this region was a moral waste, but since that time, through the blessing of God, upon the ministrations of the word, light has dispelled the thick darkness and this once wilderness has become a fruitful field. In September last, God appeared in his glory to build up Zion, and has since made a marvellous display of his grace in the town of Rochester. The good work commenced through the winter. The season has been solemn and interesting. One Lord's day was peculiarly so, in which 39 presented themselves and entered into the solemn covenant. It was a day long to be remembered by the saints. The result of this good work is, that 62 have joined the congregational church and several other denominations, beside 10 more who have been made hopeful subjects. A similar display of divine grace has been witnessed in Stockbridge and Pittsfield. Here we beheld 10 hardened sinners from 50 to 74 years of age converted and become truly as little children.

The Directors cannot but express their grateful acknowledgements to the patrons of this Society, and especially to the several female societies who have so nobly stepped forward in aid of the benevolent objects in view. With such helpers we are persuaded that much good will be effected. And will not their example excite emulation in the other sex, whose resources and abilities to do good are so much greater? Eternal Truth has declared that "it is more blessed to give than to receive;" and may every friend and benefactor of this Society obtain an abundant share in this unspeakable blessedness. The Board continue to solicit the charitable aid of the Christian public, in the confident hope that no one who realizes the worth of souls, and he would esteem it his privilege to cast in his mite from time to time—a mite saved from expenditure on some needless article of food, raiment, household furniture or other trifles. But if he must send that mite one or two hundred miles before it will reach a safe place of deposit, he is prevented by the insignificance of it by the trouble of it, or by the uncertainty of conveyance. Hence, the importance of multiplying small societies, auxiliary to the larger ones, and placing them under such regulations as shall ensure confidence and approbation.

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Jewish Baptism.

Bernhard Goldberg with his wife and four daughters were initiated into the Christian church by the Rev. Mr. Herwig at Esslingen in Württemberg, May 28th, 1820. On his baptism, Mr. Goldberg received the name of John Peter. He was born in 1780, in Upper Silesia, and in early youth was destined by his parents to rabbinical studies. He at first engaged in them with zeal, but soon became disgusted with their absurdity, and turned his attention to the Scriptures of the Old Testament, accompanying the reading of them with earnest prayer to God for light. He soon after left his native country, and in the year 1801 accepted the office of private tutor in some Jewish families at Nieuwied. Here in 1803 he went from curiosity into the chapel of the Moravian brethren, where he first heard of the nativity, office, sufferings, death and resurrection of the Saviour—he was deeply affected, and convinced of his ruined state; but his unbelief remained. A few years afterwards he was married; and in 1815, lost his fourth daughter very suddenly on the same night in which his fifth was born. His wife fell dangerously sick, and continued 24 weeks, during which time his afflictions were nearly insupportable—the distress of his mind extending almost to despair. Then however, the Lord was pleased to "raise him by a bright ray of hope"—he found "peace in believing"—and from that night his wife began to recover. From that time, says he, "I was actualized by another spirit," and throwing away the pernicious books by which he had been seduced and strengthened in infidelity, he began to praise the Lord for "bringing him from the fatal darkness of Judaism into his marvellous light." In 1817, he was further instructed and confirmed by one of the agents of the "London Jews Society," from whom he received a copy of the Hebrew New Testament, and various other valuable works; and under the patronage of that Society he now resides at Wittenberg, to prepare himself for the blessed office of disseminating the truth of the gospel among his brethren according to the flesh.

This is the Lord's doing, it is marvelous in our eyes." In Rochester, God seemed to bless the labors of Mr. Harlow, a candidate for the ministry.

For the space of 10 miles on the river road, where were found 40 prayerless families, now only about one third remain neglectful of this important duty.

JUSTIN PARSONS.
Pittsfield, Vt. Aug. 30th, 1820.

Here is a blank, which the writer probably intended to fill, but did not.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Extract of a letter from a Clergyman in one of the Directors of the Domestic Missionary Society.

"I believe churches do not do half as much as they ought, to help feeble and destitute parishes. We must aid, in some instances, where those, on whom our charity is bestowed, ought to aid others. The situation of such as manage the concerns of any benevolent society is truly trying. I feel the deepest interest in the prosperity of your society. It was the desire of my heart that such a society should be formed, before yours was organized. I think the object one of the most interesting that can engage the mind of the Christian. Your funds I trust, will not be wanting always. The earth most help the woman—her silver and gold must be used for this purpose.—As the means of the Domestic Missionary Society are limited, the greatest care should be taken that its funds are not distributed where the people might and would live without them. Many churches might feel as if they needed aid, yet if it could not be obtained, would struggle through their difficulties. The time has been when eleven persons afforded me support, when all of them were not worth so much as would be deemed a moderate fortune in some places; and God has blessed them;—they now do much annually for benevolent purposes.

I suggest these things not to dictate, or to call your attention to any thing you have done as a society, only that it may be seen there is danger. These remarks do not come from an enemy, but a friend. There are many places destitute, and must remain so without aid. May God give you the means of assisting them. I would ask, drawing near when the whole body of the Jews

engage with a living soul, to go and visit the destitute parishes, and not only ask what they could and would do, but go from individual to individual, and make them sensible that they must part with much for the gospel. Many societies could do much more if they only knew it. Much depends upon the men employed as missionaries. Men may be good, very good, but want energy. Of all men it is most important that the missionary should be a living man in every sense of the word."

Unquestionably, the most efficient method of promoting the object of this society would be for the proper man to devote his whole time to the concern. When not occupied with general superintendance, let him preach on missionary ground—visit—exhort—dwell among the destitute, and go from point to point, till all are aroused, and all supplied. [Communicated.]

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WORCESTER COUNTY CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

The ninth Anniversary of the Religious Charitable Society in the County of Worcester, was held at Leicester, on the 20th ult. The meeting was numerous and well attended. It must have been gratifying to every benevolent heart, to have seen so many of the friends of Zion uniting their counsels and charities in aid of the great and good work which, in these last days, has awakened the attention and engaged the efforts of this Society, whose plans of benevolence are very extensive, has been incalculably great; and should it continue to receive the charitable aid of the generous public, it may justly be ranked among those noble institutions now in operation, whose object it is to enlighten and save a world lying in wickedness.

The Board of Directors made a Report to the Society of their proceedings for the last year; and the Auditor reported the state of the treasury—both which reports were accepted as satisfactory. An appropriate and impressive discourse was delivered by Rev. Elizim Phelps, of Brookfield, First Parish, from Judges v. 23; after which a contribution was taken up in aid of the funds of the Society. Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the following persons were elected to manage the concerns of the Society for the ensuing year, viz.: —

Rev. JOHN CRANE, D. D. Pres. Nahum Fay, Esq. Vice-President; Rev. Benjamin Wood, Secretary; Rev. Joseph Goffe, Treasurer; Daniel Henshaw, Esq. Auditor. Ebenezer Eastbrook, Esq. Rev. John Nelson, Bezaleel Taft, jun. Esq. Rev. Cyrus Mann, Nath. Crocker, Esq. Directors.

Statement of the Treasury of the R. C. S. for the year ending Sept. 20, 1820.

Total receipts for the last year, \$1033: 27

Balance left in the Treasury, 975: 09

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Total expenditures for the last year:

For Education, 481: 24

For Foreign Missions, 372: 83

For Feeble Churches, 970: 00

Miscellaneous Postage, Printing, &c. 11: 53

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Balance in the Treasury, 872: 76

[The statement of particular sums received, is unavoidably omitted.]

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Such a society was formed in the Western District of New Haven County, Conn. in September last, Auxiliary to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. It is constituted of the pastors and churches within the limits of the association in that District, and reserves to itself the right of appropriating its income in whole or part by a vote of two thirds of the society to the propagation of the gospel in any other way. Agents are appointed to procure funds in every parish, and transmit them to the Treasurer. Rev. S. W. Stebbins of West Haven is President; Rev. Dr. Day, and F. Hotchkiss Esq. Vice Presidents; Rev. E. Serantor, Secy.; Rev. F. Dwight, Treasurer, and Rev. C. Sherman, Auditor.

shall look on him whom they have pierced, and mourn? Or will it still be said they are to be converted without human instrumentality? and how can any disciple of Jesus neglect to pray for them daily, and for those Societies that make their conversion their great object? We feel perfectly assured that God looks down with no more complacency on any department of missionary labor than on this;—the offerings that are made by the too small but noble female society in this town that has espoused the cause of the Jews, are most precious in his sight, and considering the unaccountable indifference with which their efforts are regarded by the public generally, we hesitate not to say, they are to be highly applauded for their perseverance, and may expect some peculiar smiles of heaven in the end. Every Jewish convert of this age, will be an everlasting monument to the praise of that grace which has put it into the hearts of a few female Christians here to unite their efforts with the London Society.

The Sabbath School in Newton, Lower Falls, The Sabbath School in this village closed for the present season, on Sunday 12th inst. and adjourned, to meet again on the last Sabbath in April, having kept about 30 Sabbath schools in the past season, though the less in number, has been punctually attended, the scholars have availed much interest in the studies, as will appear from the aggregate of the Superintendent's report of what has been committed to memory. On Monday, the scholars met to draw for, & receive a large Bible, six Testaments, & two Prayer Books, besides several smaller books.

None who feel an interest, in the welfare of the rising generation, could have believed these young immortals and not have doubted, (who may be secretly,) breathed a fervent prayer to Heaven, that they might be the followers of Him who took little children in his arms, and blessing them, said, "of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Few, if any places are better situated for a Sabbath School, or in which it might be more useful than in this manufacturing village; & it is a cause for gratitude to God, and of encouragement to Parents, and the Teachers, that since its first establishment in April, 1818, the Sabbath has been more respected, and the morals of the youth improved. May it not be hoped, that some good seed has been sown, which may hereafter spring up & bring forth fruit unto eternal life?

Abstract of Superintendent's Report.

Whole number of scholars, 30 girls and 29 boys. Scripture and hymns recited by the girls, 1122 verses. Ditto, recited by the boys, 6541 verses. Total, 17,763 verses. Highest number recited by one girl, 1138 verses. In justice to the boys it ought to be remarked, that the great disparity in the numbers recited by them, when compared with the girls, is partly owing to their time being occupied in their employment.

3. Are we ready to engage in works of humility, unostentatious usefulness, whose praise is of God, as in those that reap the need of worldly applause?

4. Are we fearful that some one will take too much upon him, of labor for Christ? Or fearing our inability to do as much as the love of Jesus would constrain us to do, does it give us joy to perceive any disposed & able to do more than we?

5. Can we hear with complacency the commendations of another, and not exact the drawbacks of his imperfections?

6. Do we rejoice in the opening talents of the young, and feel disposed to accelerate the rising of other sum, though destined in their progress to eclipse our own?

The formation of every new Society, auxiliary to any of our great benevolent institutions, is to be hailed as a joyful and encouraging event. Thousands of dollars are collected annually by this means that would otherwise be lost to the cause of benevolence, and we might even say lost to the world—for after all that is given to missionary societies, not a tenth, nor an hundredth part of what is lavished away on vanity or vice, by the wicked, is thus sacredly appropriated by the friends of God. Let every Christian have a treasury of the Lord opened near him, and he would esteem it his privilege to cast in his mite from time to time—a mite saved from expenditure on some needless article of food, raiment, household furniture or other trifles. But if he must send that mite one or two hundred miles before it will reach a safe place of deposit, he is prevented by the insignificance of it by the trouble of it, or by the uncertainty of conveyance. Hence, the importance of multiplying small societies, auxiliary to the larger ones, and placing them under such regulations as shall ensure confidence and approbation.

INSTALLED.—At Orangeville-Hollow, N. Y. Oct. 25th, 1820, the Rev. JAMES H. MILLS, over the Church and Congregation in that place. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Emerson of Salem, closed the introductory prayer. Rev. Mr. Dyer of Marblehead delivered the sermon from 1 Cor. viii. 4. —Rev. Mr. Church of Pelham gave the consecrating prayer. Rev. Mr. Lawrence of Tynghorough, gave the pastoral charge to the candidate. Rev. Mr. Eastman of Methuen, expressed the Fellowship of the church. Rev. Mr. Coggan of Tewksbury, addressed the charge to the people. Rev. Mr. Edwards of Andover, made the concluding prayer. The public performances were highly interesting and impressive, and the harmony which has marked the whole proceedings is agreeable and hopeful.

THE MESSAGE

OF THE

President of the United States.

To both Houses, at the opening of the Second Session of the Sixteenth Congress;—transmitted by Mr. JAMES MONROE, Jun.

Fellow Citizens of the Senate,
and of the House of Representatives:

In communicating to you a just view of public affairs, at the commencement of your present labors, I do it with great satisfaction, because, taking all circumstances into consideration which claim attention, I see much cause to rejoice in the felicity of our situation. In making this remark, I do not wish to be understood to imply that an unvaried prosperity is to be seen in every interest of this great community. In the progress of a nation, inhabiting a territory of such vast extent and great variety of climate, every portion of which is engaged in foreign commerce, and liable to be affected, in some degree, by the changes which occur in the condition and regulations of foreign countries, it would be strange, if the produce of our soil and the industry and enterprise of our fellow citizens received at all times, and in every quarter, an uniform and equal encouragement. This would be more than we have a right to expect, under circumstances the most favorable. Pressures on certain interests, it is admitted, have been felt; but, allowing to these their greatest extent, they detract but little from the force of the remark already made.

In forming a just estimate of our present situation, it is proper to look at the whole; in the outline, as well as in the detail. A free, virtuous, and enlightened people know well the great principles and causes on which their happiness depends; and even those who suffer most, occasionally, in their transitory concerns, find great relief under their sufferings, from the blessings which they otherwise enjoy, and in the consoling and animating hope which they administer. From whence do these pressures come? Not from a government which is founded by, administered for, and supported by, the people. We trace them to the peculiar character of the epoch in which we live, and to the extraordinary occurrences which have signalized it. The convulsions with which several of the powers of Europe have been shaken, and the long and destructive wars in which all were engaged, with their sudden transition to a state of peace, presenting, in the first instance, unusual encouragement to our commerce, and withdrawing it in the second, even within its wonted limit, could not fail to be sensibly felt here. The station too, which we had to support through this long conflict, compelled as we were, finally to become a party to it with a principal power, and to make great exertions, suffer heavy losses, and to contract considerable debts, disturbing the ordinary course of affairs, by augmenting, to a vast amount, the circulating medium, and thereby elevating, at one time, the price of every article above a just standard, and depressing it at another below it, had likewise its due effect.

It is manifest that the pressures of which we complain have proceeded, in a great measure, from these causes. When, then, we take into view the prosperous and happy condition of our country, in all the great circumstances which constitute the felicity of a nation—every individual in the full enjoyment of all his rights; the Union blessed with plenty, and rapidly rising to greatness, under a national government, which operates with complete effect in every part, without being felt in any, except by the ample protection which it affords, and under state governments which perform their equal share, according to a wise distribution of power between them, in promoting the public happiness—it is impossible to behold so gratifying, so glorious a spectacle, without being penetrated with the most profound and grateful acknowledgements to the Supreme Author of all good for such manifold and estimable blessings. Deeply impressed with these sentiments, I cannot regard the pressures to which I have adverted otherwise than in the light of mild and instructive admonitions; warning us of dangers to be shunned in future; teaching us lessons of economy, corresponding with the simplicity and purity of our institutions, and best adapted to their support; evincing the connection and dependence which the various parts of our happy union have on each other, thereby augmenting daily our social incorporation, and adding, by its strong ties, new strength and vigour to the political; opening a wider range, and with new encouragement to the industry and enterprise of our fellow citizens at home and abroad; and more especially by the multiplied proofs which have accumulated of the great perfection of our most excellent system of government, the powerful instrument, in the hands of an all-mighty Creator, in securing to us these blessings.

Happy as our situation is, it does not exempt us from solicitude and care for the future. On the contrary, as the blessings which we enjoy are great, proportionably great should be our vigilance, zeal, and activity to preserve them. Foreign wars may again expose us to new wrongs, which would impose on us new duties, for which we ought to be prepared. The state of Europe is unsettled, and how long peace may be preserved, is altogether uncertain; in addition to which, we have interests of our own to adjust, which will require particular attention. A correct view of our relations with each power will enable you to form a just idea of existing difficulties, and of the measures of precaution best adapted to them.

Respecting our relations with Spain, nothing explicit can now be communicated.—On the adjournment of Congress, in May last, the Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States, at Madrid, was instructed to inform the government of Spain that, if his Catholic Majesty should then ratify the treaty, this government would accept the ratification, so far as to submit to the decision of the Senate, the question whether such ratification should be received in exchange for that of the United States, heretofore given. By letters from the Minister of the United States to the Secretary of State, it appears, that a communication, in conformity with his instructions, had been made to the government of Spain, and that the Cortes had the subject under consideration. The result of the deliberations of that body, which is daily expected, will be made known to Congress as soon as it is received. The friendly sentiment which was expressed on the part of the U. States, in the message of the 9th of May last, is still entertained for Spain. Among the causes of regret, however, which are inseparable from the delay attending this transaction, it is proper to state, that satisfactory information has been received, that measures have been recently adopted by designing persons, to convert certain parts of the provinces of East Florida into depots for the reception of foreign goods, from whence to smuggle them into the United States. By opening a port within the limits of Florida, immediately on our boundary, where there was no settlement, the object could not be misunderstood. An early accommodation of differences, will, it is hoped, prevent all such fraudulent and pernicious practices, and place the relations of the two countries on a very amicable and permanent basis.

The commercial relations between the United States and the British colonies in the West Indies, and on this continent, have undergone no change; the British government still preferring to leave that commerce under the restriction heretofore imposed on it, on each side. It is satisfactory to recollect, that the restraints resorted to by the United States were defensive only, intended to prevent a monopoly under British re-

gulations, in favor of Great Britain; as it likewise is, to know that the experiment is advancing in a spirit of amity between the parties.

The question depending between the United States and Great Britain, respecting the construction of the first article of the treaty of Ghent, has been referred, by both governments, to the decision of the Emperor of Russia, who has accepted the umpire.

An attempt has been made, with the government of France, to regulate by treaty, the commerce between the two countries, on the principle of reciprocity and equality.—By the last communication from the Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States at Paris to whom full power had been given, we learn that the negotiation had been commenced there, but serious difficulties having occurred, the French government had resolved to transfer it to the United States, for which purpose the Minister Plenipotentiary of France had been ordered to repair to this city, and whose arrival might soon be expected. It is hoped that this important interest may be arranged on just conditions, and in a manner equally satisfactory to both parties. It is submitted to Congress to decide, until such arrangement is made, how far it may be proper, on the principle of the act of the last session, which augmented the tonnage duty on French vessels, to adopt other measures for carrying more completely into effect the policy of that act.

The act referred to, which imposed new tonnage on French vessels, having been in force from and after the first day of July, it has happened that several vessels of that nation, which had been dispatched from France before its existence was known, have entered the ports of the United States, and been subject to its operation, without that previous notice which the general spirit of our laws gives to individuals in similar cases. The object of that law having been merely to counteract the inequalities which existed to the disadvantage of the United States, in their commercial intercourse with France, it is submitted also to the consideration of Congress, whether, in the spirit of amity and conciliation which it is no less the inclination than the policy of the United States to preserve in their intercourse with other powers, it may not be proper to extend relief to the individuals interested in those cases by exempting from the operation of the law all those vessels which have entered our ports without having had the means of previously knowing the existence of the additional duty.

The contest between Spain and the Colonies, according to the most authentic information, is maintained by the latter with improved success. The unfortunate divisions which were known to exist some time since at Buenos Ayres, it is understood, still prevail. In no part of South America has Spain made any impression on the Colonies, while, in many parts, and particularly in Venezuela and New Grenada, the Colonies have gained strength and acquired reputation, both for the management of the war, in which they have been successful, and for the order of internal administration. The late change in the government of Spain, by the re-establishment of the constitution of 1812, is an event which promises to be favorable to the revolution. Under the authority of the Cortes, the Congress of Angostura was invited to open a negotiation for the settlement of differences between the parties, to which it was replied, that they would willingly open the negotiation, provided the acknowledgement of their independence was made its basis, but not otherwise. Of further proceedings between them we are uninformed. No facts are known to this government, to warrant the belief, that any of the powers of Europe will take part in the contest; whence it may be inferred, considering all circumstances, which must have weight in producing the result, that an adjustment will finally take place, on the basis proposed by the Colonies. To promote that result, by friendly counsels, with other powers, including Spain herself, has been the uniform policy of this government.

In looking to the internal concerns of our country, you will, I am persuaded, derive much satisfaction from a view of the several objects to which, in the discharge of your official duties, your attention will be drawn. Among these, none holds a more important place than the public revenue, from the direct operation of the power, by which it is raised, on the people, and by their occupation; and, if they find no employment from civilized powers, they destroy each other. Left to themselves their extirpation is inevitable.—By a judicious regulation of our trade with them, we supply their wants, administer to their comforts, and gradually, as the gauges draw them to us. By maintaining posts far in the interior, we acquire a more thorough and direct control over them: without which, it is confidently believed that a complete change in their manners can never be accomplished. By such posts, aided by a proper regulation of our trade with them, and a judicious civil administration over them, to be provided for by law, we shall, it is presumed, be enabled not only to protect our own settlements from their savage incursions, and preserve peace among the several tribes, but accomplish also the great purpose of their civilization.

Considerable progress has also been made, in the construction of ships of war, some of which have been launched in the course of the present year. The Indians, peace has been preserved and a progress made in carrying into effect the act of Congress, making an appropriation for their civilization, with the prospect of favorable results. As connected equally with both these objects, our trade with those tribes is thought to merit the attention of Congress. In their original state, game is their sustenance, and war their occupation; and, if they find no employment from civilized powers, they destroy each other. Left to themselves their extirpation is inevitable.—By a judicious regulation of our trade with them, we supply their wants, administer to their comforts, and gradually, as the gauges draw them to us. By maintaining posts far in the interior, we acquire a more thorough and direct control over them: without which, it is confidently believed that a complete change in their manners can never be accomplished.

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On the 30th of September, 1815, the funded amount of five per cent. Stock subscribed to by the Bank of the United States, the amount of Mississippi stock, and of the stock which was issued subsequently to that date, the balances ascertained to be due to certain states, for military services, and to individuals, for supplies furnished, and services rendered, during the late war, the public debt may be estimated at amounting at that date, and as afterwards liquidated, to one hundred and fifty eight millions seven hundred and thirteen thousand forty nine dollars.

On the 30th of September, 1820, it amounted to ninety one millions nine hundred and ninety three thousand eight hundred and eighty three dollars, having been reduced in that interval, by payments, sixty six millions eight hundred and seventy nine thousand one hundred and sixty five dollars. During this term, the expenses of the government of the United States were likewise defrayed, in every branch of the civil, military, and naval establishments; the public edifices in this city have been rebuilt, with considerable additions; extensive fortifications have been commenced and are in a train of execution; permanent arsenals and magazines have been erected in various parts of the Union; our navy has been considerably augmented, and the ordnance, munitions of war, and stores, of the army and navy, which were much exhausted during the war, have been replenished.

By the discharge of so large a proportion of the public debt, and the execution of such extensive and important operations, in so short a time, a just estimate may be formed of the great extent of our national resources. The demonstration is the more complete and gratifying, when it is recollected that the direct tax, and excise were repealed soon after the termination of the late war, and that the revenue applied to these purposes has been derived almost wholly from other sources.

The receipts into the Treasury from every source, to the 30th of September last, have amounted to sixteen millions seven hundred and ninety four thousand one hundred and seven dollars and sixty six cents; whilst the public expenditures, to the same period amounted to sixteen millions eight hundred and seventy one thousand five hundred and thirty four dollars and twenty two cents; leaving in the Treasury, on that day, a sum estimated at one million nine hundred and fifty thousand dollars. For the probable receipts of the following year, refer you to the statement which will be transmitted from the Treasury.

The sum of three millions of dollars, authorized to be raised by loan, by an act of the last session of Congress, has been obtained upon terms advantageous to Government, indicating not only an increased confidence in the faith of the nation, but the existence of a large amount of capital seeking that mode of investment, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per centum per annum.

It is proper to add, that there is now due to the Treasury, for the sale of public lands, twenty-two millions nine hundred and ninety-six thousand five hundred and forty five dollars. In bringing this subject to view, I consider it my duty to submit to Congress, whether it may not be advisable to extend to the purchasers of these lands, in consideration of the unfavorable change which has occurred since the sales, a reasonable indulgence. It is known that the purchases were made when the price of every article had risen to its greatest height, and that the instalments are becoming due at a period of great depression. It is presumed that some plan may be devised, by the wisdom of Congress, compatible with the public interest, which would afford great relief to these purchasers.

Considerable progress has been made, during the present season, in examining the coast and various bays, and other inlets; in the collection of materials, and in the construction of fortifications for the defence of the Union, at several of the positions at which it has been decided to erect such works. At Mobile Point and Dauphin Island, and at the Rioquet, leading to Lake Ponchartrain, materials, to a considerable amount, have been collected, and all the necessary preparations made for the commencement of the works. At Old Point Comfort, at the mouth of James River, and at the Riprap on the opposite shore, in the Chesapeake Bay, materials, to a vast amount, have been collected; and at the Old Point some progress has been made in the construction of the fortification, which is on a very extensive scale. The work at Fort Washington, on this River, will be completed early in the next spring; and that on the Peapatch, in the Delaware, in the course of the next season. Fort Diamond, at the Narrows, in the Harbour of New-York, will be finished this year. The works at Boston, N. Y., Baltimore, Norfolk, Charleston, and Niagara, have been in part paired; and the coast of North Carolina, extending south to Cape Fear, has been examined, as have likewise other parts of the coast eastward of Boston. Great exertions have been made to push forward these works with the utmost despatch possible; but, when their extent is considered, with the important purposes for which they are intended, the defence of the whole coast, and, in consequence, of the whole interior, and that they are to last for ages, it will manifest that a well digested plan founded on military principles, connecting the whole together, combining security with economy, could not be prepared without repeated examinations of the most exposed and difficult parts, and that it would also take considerable time to collect the material at the several points where they would be required. From all the light that has been shed on this subject, I am satisfied that every favorable anticipation which has been formed of this great undertaking will be verified, and that, when completed, it will afford very great, if not complete, protection to our Atlantic frontier, in the event of another war; a protection sufficient to counterbalance, in a single campaign, with an enemy powerful at sea, the expense of all these works, without taking into the estimate the saving of the lives of so many of our citizens, the protection of our towns and other property, or the tendency of such works to prevent war.

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In the autumn preceding I had caused ry to be sown upon an inverted award, very thick, on about three acres. Early in April I prepared and sowed, in manner as shall be stated afterwards, about three acres and one quarter of land with Indian corn in drills. I also sowed about three acres of oats and buckwheat, broadcast, at the rate of three bushels to the acre, about the latter end of the month. The whole quantity of land I thus prepared to be used in soiling, in aid of my grass, did but little exceed nine acres. Of these, that which I sowed with rye, turned out so poorly, that I never soiled from it more than five days, so that in fact the land thus prepared did, in efficiency, but little, exceed six acres. (To be continued.)

To prevent Cows from contracting bad habits while milking. Cows should be always treated with great gentleness, and soothed by mild usage, especially when young and ticklish, or when the paps are tender, in which case the udder ought to be fomented with warm water before milking, and touched with the greatest gentleness, otherwise the cow will be in danger of contracting bad habits, becoming stubborn and unruly, and retaining her milk ever after. A cow never lets down her milk pleasantly to the person she dreads or dislikes.—The udder and paps, should always be washed with clean water before milking: but care should be taken that none of that water be admitted into the milking pail.

To prevent cattle from disease in the winter. When cattle are kept out in the winter, it is recommended as an useful practice to rub some tar at the root of the horn, which prevents the wet from getting between the rot and the skin; and it is said, contributes to preserve the health of the animal, and to keep it free from various diseases to which it may otherwise be liable.

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suitied to such a mode of conduct. It is a level plain, constituted of alluvion upon clay, occasionally intermixed with lighter quality of soil. It had no fences but post and rails, so that by adopting this mode, it might be wholly relieved from interior fences, the expense of which had always been a heavy item in my farm accounts.

For the three years past, I have been in this practice. During the two former years with some occasional deviations. During the last, regularly, and systematically, without any deviation. The result has been all that I anticipated, in every respect. Indeed it has been so satisfactory, that I think no considerations would induce me to adopt a different mode in the management of my stock.

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